SUBJECT No. 357.

Bridging the Dandavati river on the Tavanandi-Anavatti high road.

Messrs. Channabasappa Gowda, Sorab taluk, and Nadig Bhaskar Rao, Shimoga District Board.

Summary of discussion.—As the road from Tavanandi to Anavatti has been completed, it is prayed that a bridge across the Dandavati river on this road be constructed early. For want of a bridge, traffic on this road is obstructed for days together when the river is in floods. To facilitate traffic for both men and carts it is prayed that a bridge across this river may be constructed early where it is crossed by the road.

Reply of Government.—Report will be called for from the Chief Engineer.

SUBJECT No. 358.

A bridge across the Tunga river at Tirthahalli.

Messrs. Thammayya Bhatta and Agumbe Rama Rao, Tirthahalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A bridge may be constructed across the Tunga river at Tirthahalli, as the portion of the town (Kuruvalli) on the other side of the river is cut off from the rest of the town during the rainy season. The bridge will help much towards the improvement of the town and of the traffic on the Koppa road.

Reply of Government.—Government recognise the importance of the bridge. If the people supply funds, interest at 4 per cent will be guaranteed and expert help given.

SUBJECT No. 359.

Damage done to crops by the overflow of the Varada river near Kerehalli.

Mr. Channabasappa Gowda, Sorab taluk

Summary of discussion.—There is a huge rock in the bed of the Varada river near Kerehalli which obstructs the free flow of the river. Consequently the river overflows its banks in the rainy season and wet crops for a distance of over 8 miles are damaged by the impounded water. It is therefore prayed that either the rock may be blasted or the bed of the river widened at the spot by 40 yards, for a distance of 4 furlongs on the side of Tumrikoppa.

Reply of Government.—The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to enquire and report on the matter.

SUBJECT No. 360.

Repairs to the *honda* and *mantap* at Santebennur.

Mr. Nadig Bheema Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There is a fine *honda* and in its centre a *mantap* of architectural interest which are deteriorating for want of attention. The necessity for preserving this ancient monument has been repeatedly urged, but no action has yet been taken in the matter. It is prayed that early steps for its renovation may be taken as without attention the *mantap* is sure to crumble to pieces within a very short time.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 361.

A Government *annachattram* at Kumsi.

Messrs. Nadig Guru Rao and Ramachandrappa Dube, Kumsi sub-taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There is at present no *annachattram* between Shimoga and Ananthapur, and much inconvenience is felt by travellers who have to stop at Kumsi midway between the two places. When a representation was made to the Deputy Commissioner on this subject two years ago, he directed the Deputy

Amildar to furnish a report on the number of travellers that halted at the place during a period of three months. No further action appears to have been taken in the matter. The matter may be kindly enquired into and arrangements made for opening a *chattram* at Kumsi.

Reply of Government.—No new *chattram* can be opened there.

SUBJECT No. 362.

Repairs to the temple of Sri Horihole Basavannadevaru at Chikkapur.

Messrs. Sanganabasappa and Ramani Channaveerappa, Shikarpur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—This temple is one of antiquity built by the ancient Rajas of Nagar and held in high esteem by the pilgrims from distant places who congregate at the time of car festival in the month of *Magha*. The temple is in disrepair and its *Chandrasala* has completely fallen down. The restoration of the temple may cost Rs. 5,000. As the devotees have already paid up a contribution of Rs. 1,000 for the purpose, it is prayed that the work may be undertaken early.

Reply of Government.—Desirable work; will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 363.

Puduvat funds of Sri Kaitabheswara Swami temple at Anavatti and of Sri Anjaneyadevaru temple at Hurli to be handed over to the *Dharmadarsis*.

Mr. Rama Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The *puduvat* funds at the disposal of these institutions in possession of Government yield a low rate of interest. These amounts may be handed over to the *Dharmadarsis* of these institutions for investment yielding better incomes, so that the yield may be used for some services of the institutions concerned.

Reply of Government—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 364.

Repairing the temple of Sri Ranganathadevaru at Sorab.

Mr. Nadig Bhaskar Rao, Shimoga District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The *Chandrasala* of this temple is in a dilapidated condition. Slight temporary repairs were executed to it last year. The *Chandrasala* and car have to be rebuilt early. If the work is to be kept in abeyance until sufficient funds are accumulated, it is likely that the existing structure will collapse. It is therefore prayed that the repairs of this temple and its car may be kindly sanctioned out of the State grant.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 365.

Free residential quarters for officials of the Excise, Forest and Educational departments at Kallurkatte.

Messrs. Mylarappa and N Subba Rao, Nagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The officials of the Excise, Forest and Educational departments have not been provided with residential quarters at Kallurkatte and are now very much inconvenienced for accommodation as the town is not a flourishing one. It is prayed that suitable quarters for the officials of these departments may be caused to be constructed similar to those for the officials of the Revenue and Police departments.

Reply of Government.—Noted.